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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

0048 Within both a microelectronic fabrication facility information system and a method for operating the microelectronic fabrication facility information system there is provided a series of databases having contained therein production information for microelectronic fabrication product orders within a microelectronic fabrication facility. Within the system and method there is also provided a microelectronic fabrication facility communication interface connected to the series of databases, where the microelectronic fabrication facility communication interface serves as an interface to a distributed communication network and functions in a fashion which allows a microelectronic fabrication customer also connected to the distributed communications network to access the information within the series of databases.